

PEOPLE  
L-0

## Margaret Tyng Lawson, 93, FinCom member

Margaret Tyng Lawson, 93, of Providence and Duxbury, died on Oct. 8. She was the wife of the late Ralph Lawson, Jr.

The daughter of Margaret Fuller Tyng and Griswold Tyng, she was born in Boston and lived in R.I. and Duxbury for seventy years.

Ms. Lawson graduated from the May School in Boston, and Smith College in 1938, and until recently had served as her class president.

She was an active community volunteer, serving in Bristol as regional president of the regional PTA, Chairman of the Bristol District Nursing Associates, Bristol Town Republican Committee and active in St. Michael's Church where her ancestor, Bishop Alexander Griswold had served. She was also a descendant of Ann

Hutchinson, founder of Aquidneck Island.

In Providence; Ms. Lawson was on the executive committee of the R.I. State Central Committee, V.P. of the RISD Museum Associates, V.P. of the Providence Preservation Society Trustees, co-founder of the WJAR Call For Action, and board member of the Smith Hill Girls' Club.

Twice she was a delegate to the Republican National Convention, and was a member of Senator John H. Chafee's cabinet in the 1970s.

In Duxbury, she served on the town Finance Committee, the Public Safety Committee, was vice president of the Duxbury Taxpayers' Association. She was also on the board of directors of the Duxbury Yacht Club.

She was a member of the

Handicraft Club, Agawam Hunt, and the Duxbury Yacht Club.

She leaves three children; Ralph Lawson, III of North Kingstown, Susan L. Farmer, former RI Secretary of State, of Providence, and Margaret L. Shaw of New York; five grandchildren, Heidi Farmer Piccerelli, Stephanie Farmer Bunting, Sara Lawson Viener, Katherine Shaw Kripke, Samuel Shaw; and seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at St. John's Church at Christmas time. She will be buried at the church. Donations in her memory may be made to Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island, 1085 North Main St., Providence, RI 02904.

DUXBURY CLIPPER  
10/13/10